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Applicant: Latza et al.

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For: PASTA COMPOSITIONS

Edgewater, New Jersey 07020
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application filed concurrently herewith, please amend the following claims:

In the Claims:

Claim 1 (Original): Edible product of which at least part is formed by a network of pasta, wherein the network comprises at least two (preferably at least 4) parallel filamentous pasta elements under an angle of 5-90 degrees to at least two (preferably at least 4) other parallel filamentous pasta elements.

Claim 2 (Original): Product according to claim 1, wherein the filamentous element have a length of at least 2 mm and/or a diameter of at least 0.3 (preferably at least 0.6) mm.

Claim 3 (Original): Product according to claim 1, wherein the network has a regular repeating pattern.